



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Elena Babiychuk, et al.

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For: Method And Means To Modulate
Programmed Cell Death In Eukaryotic Cells

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.